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the consideration of the House. The Superintendent of Public Works has been himself heard and his personal evidence hereto attached presents very clearly and plainly the manner in which both he and his trusted subordinates on the other Islands have conducted matters connected with the Bureau of Public Works, with regard to the public interests, during the past biennial period at least. The committee presents Mr. Rowell's testimony as taken and transcribed by the stenographer of the committee and desire to state that all questions asked the Superintendent of Public Works were upon the subjects which the committee had deemed to be right and proper to present to him as the said questions, each and all, bore upon subjects which had received adjudication at the hands of Mr. Rowell, but his action thereon had been adversely commented on by the committee.

"Your committee in now presenting its final summing up and findings respectfully present, they find that:

1st.—"Petitions exist and have been presented to the consideration of this House, for road damages which claims, from the manner of conduct of the business of this Bureau by the Superintendent of Public Works, by seeming willful negligence, offer opportunity for vexatious and unnecessary litigation with the Government.

2d.—"Payment has been wrongfully withheld and is still withheld for labor done on the roads under contract, even when the said work seems to have been faithfully performed.

3d.—"It is found that complaints from numerous residents of the Islands of Hawaii are well grounded in cause; and relate

(a)—"Bad construction of roads.

(b)—"Favoritism in the distribution of awards of road contracts.

(c)—"Negligence, or incompetence displayed in the preliminary surveys and final examination before acceptance of the road work performed under contract with the Government.

(d)—"Illegal seizure of private rights of way and private lands for road purposes.

4th.—"Public moneys have been withheld from application to the legitimate object.

5th.—"A system of private banking of public funds has been carried on by the Bureau of Public Works and which action is deserving of the severest censure.

6th.—"Contractors have been wronged by the non-payment to them of moneys legally due, and which moneys have been drawn for the purpose of payment, from the public treasury.

7th.—"Appearance of prejudice and favoritism shown by the Superintendent of Public Works in the award of the contract for building the Central Fire Station in Honolulu.

8th.—"The report presented by Mr. Rowell as Superintendent of Public Works as an exhibit of the business of the Bureau for the past biennial period is neither satisfactory nor reliable.

9th.—"A knowledge of the subletting of road contracts is shown and a censurable neglect of inquiry by the Superintendent of Public Works, or his subordinates, of the character and class of work of these sub-contractors.

"A. B. LOEBENSTEIN,

"J. D. PARIS,

"W. F. POGUE,

"L. L. McCANDLESS."

"I do not occur with this report, as I do not believe Mr. Rowell has been treated fairly.

"PAUL ISENBERG."

The report was referred to the Printing Committee.

Amendments to Senate bill 44, relating to roads to private lands, passed third reading.

Third reading of Senate amendments to House bill 81, relating to pounds, estrays, etc.

"Things in the House had been going along at a rather uninteresting pace but as soon as this bill came up, there seemed to be an awakening on the part of the members. Rep. McCandless was the leader of the opposition. He did not believe in passing a law that would work such a hardship and moved for an indefinite postponement of the bill. The Speaker ruled that the question for the bill had passed second reading in the Senate, which body had made two amendments. The proper course to follow was to act on the amendments of the Senate. The ruling of the Speaker was appealed from but upon being put to vote, it was sustained.

The first amendment of the Senate was concurred in. Then came a drawing out of the books on rules on the part of all the members. One contended this and another contended that. Finally the second amendment was indefinitely postponed by a majority of one vote. Such action of course practically killed the bill as, under the circumstances, it would be impossible for the conference committees of the Senate and House to have any meeting. The members of the bill naturally went home for they saw no way out of the dilemma. The bill, which they considered one of the best introduced during the session, had been doomed.

At 12 noon the House took a recess until 2 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The faces of the members in favor of the bill wore a very bright expression as they took their seats in the House in the afternoon. They had discovered a way to have the bill passed. As soon as the Speaker had called the House to order, Rep. Kaeo, of Kauai, who had voted for an indefinite postponement of the bill, arose and moved for a reconsideration of the

motion to indefinitely postpone. This was carried. Then Rep. Loebenstein moved that the House concur in the amendment of the Senate. This was likewise carried. Rep. Robertson called the attention of the House to the fact that he had voted in the affirmative. It was also noticed that Reps. McCandless and Achi voted the same way so that the vote was unanimous.

Immediately after this, Rep. Loebenstein arose again and moved that the vote to concur in the amendment of the Senate be reconsidered. Reps. Robertson, McCandless and Achi saw the point at once and, taking their hats, departed for parts unknown. The Speaker despatched the Sergeant-at-arms to call back the members, while Rep. Loebenstein protested against the action of the Speaker in allowing the members to leave the room.

There was no quorum. The Speaker explained that he was not at all pleased with the action of the three members and that he had sent the Sergeant-at-arms after them as soon as they had started to leave the room. At this Rep. Loebenstein apologized for what he had said. A little after this the members returned and, once again, there was a quorum. Rep. McCandless at once arose and denounced the member from Hilo as being a man who had applied sharp practice. He had waited until the vote was absent of the men who had voted the other way and had then taken advantage of the opportunity to get the bill through.

Rep. Loebenstein then made again his motion to reconsider the vote to concur in the amendment of the Senate. Of course he had in the meantime gone around among the members who were in favor of the bill and when it came to taking the vote, he and the members he knew to be on his side, voted "no." This settled matters for this session and now the bill will go through.

Rep. Loebenstein played his cards well and succeeded in a move that has so often failed.

Rep. McCandless could not stand this sort of thing and walked out of the House, did not put in an appearance again during the afternoon.

The following report of the Finance Committee was presented by Rep. Pogue on items under the head of "Fire Department" in Senate bill 5:

"We have secured an itemized statement, making up the total of the Honolulu Fire Department, regular pay roll, \$52,440. Said items do not include the pay roll for the proposed chemical engine on the Plains. This in very much needed as the residence portion of the plains is rapidly growing and there is very inadequate provision against fire in that portion of Honolulu. The pay roll for the proposed chemical engine would amount to \$6,600. We therefore recommend that the item pass at \$59,040.

"Pay of steward, watchman and engine, Hilo Fire Department, \$1,980.

"We recommend the item pass."

"I concur in the foregoing, excepting as regarding pay roll for chemical engine which I believe should not be agreed to, owing to the large amount of other more necessary items for which appropriations are being used.

"W. F. POGUE."

There was a suggestion on the part of Rep. Robertson that a volunteer company be organized on the Plains and that a house be built there. This was discussed and finally dropped. The item of \$52,440, without the rider recommended, then passed as did the item of \$1,080 for the maintenance of the Hilo Fire Department.

Senate bill 5 then passed second reading.

Senate bill 41, relating to opium, was then taken up for consideration and was referred to the Committee on Health and Education.

House adjourned at 4 p. m.

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ACT 41.

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 1 OF AN ACT ENTITLED, "AN ACT TO FURTHER PROMOTE THE CONSTRUCTION OF RAILWAYS ON THE ISLAND OF OAHU," APPROVED THE 15TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1890, RELATING TO THE TIME GRANTED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF STEAM RAILROADS ON THE ISLAND OF OAHU AND THE EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE THEREIN NAMED.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Republic of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of the Act entitled "An Act to further promote the construction of railways on the Island of Oahu," approved the 15th day of September, 1890, is hereby amended so that said section shall read as follows:

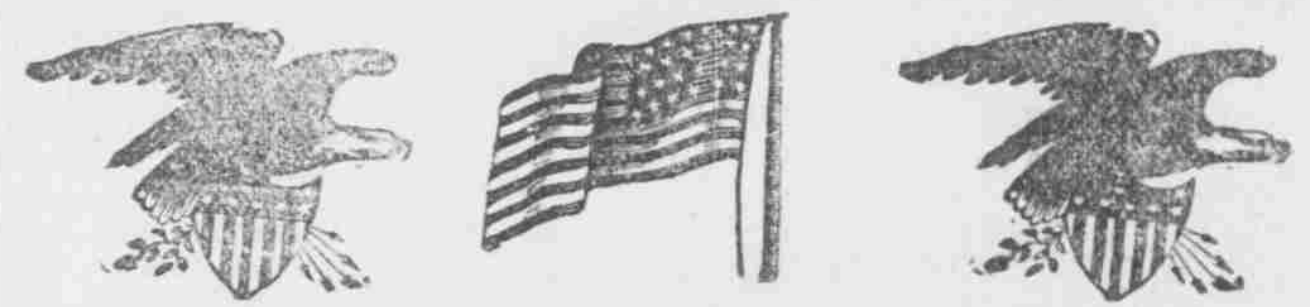
"Section 1. The time granted for the construction of steam railroads on the Island of Oahu as prescribed by Section 2, Chapter 62, of the laws of 1888, is hereby extended to November 2, 1903, and the time of the exclusive franchise therein named to September 11, 1938. Provided that such extension of exclusive franchise shall apply only to such portions of railroad as said Company shall construct in the Districts of Waianae, Waiialua, Koolauloa and Koolauoko or any of said Districts."

SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect from the date of its publication.

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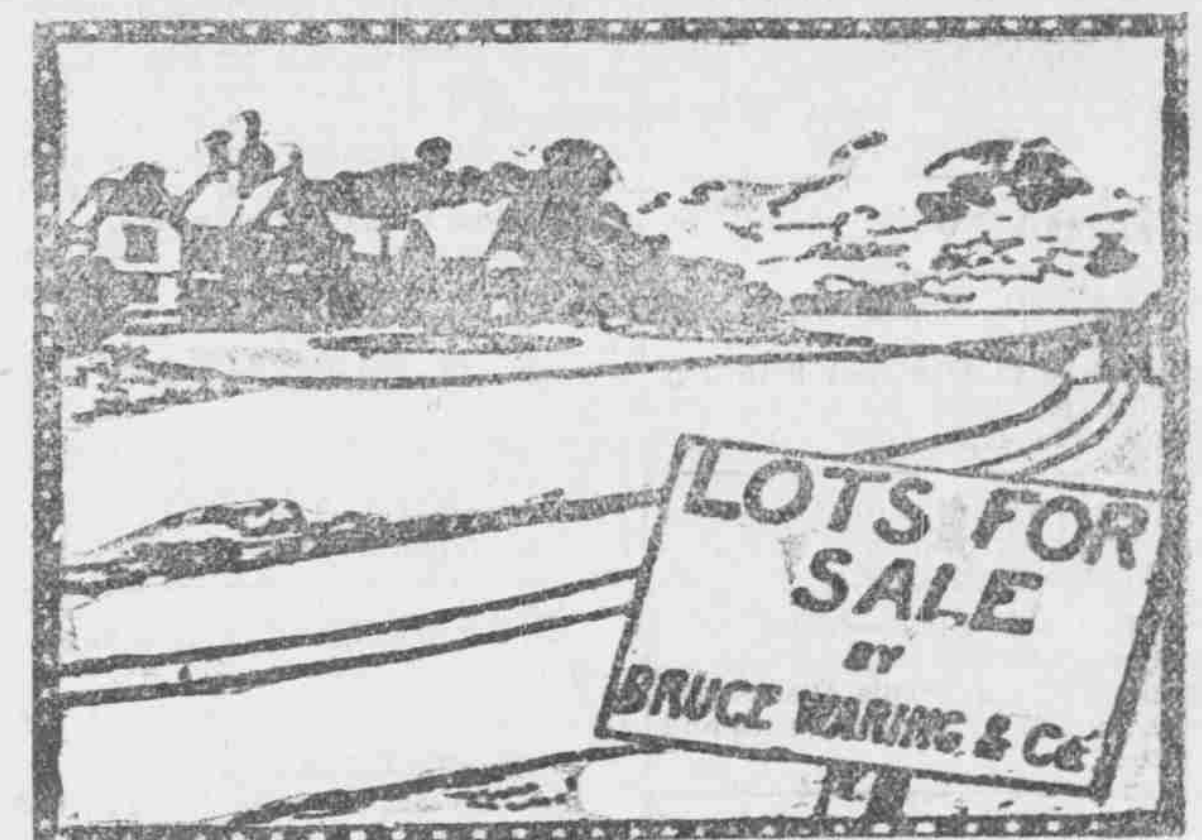
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